

Appln. No. 10/826,013

Attorney Docket No. 10541-1991
V203-0314**III. Remarks**

By this paper, Applicants are canceling claims 20-23. Therefore, after entering this amendment, claims 1-19 are currently pending.

Reconsideration and further examination of this application in view of the above amendments and the following remarks is therefore respectfully requested.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the allowance of claims 1-19.

Amendments to the Specification

The Examiner objected to the disclosure for failing to describe "adjustment member having a plurality of generally equally spaced peaks" as recited in claim 7. As a result, Paragraph [0029] has been amended to include the following:

As mentioned above, each predetermined angle of rotation that the knob 16 is rotated will cause a signal to be sent to the controller. As a result, the wave lengths 58 between adjacent protrusions 50 are generally equal to each other so that the peaks 52 are generally equally-spaced along the knob 16.

Paragraph [0023] of the original Application as filed states "each predetermined angle of rotation that the knob 16 is rotated will cause a signal to be sent to the controller." Therefore, the original application as filed discloses that the angular measurement between each set of adjacent peaks is constant. As a result, the original application as filed discloses that the wave length between each set of adjacent peaks is also constant along the knob. Therefore, no new matter is added and the phrase "adjustment member having a plurality of generally equally spaced peaks" is described in the specification.

The Examiner also objected to the amendments to paragraph [0023] and claim 20 as including new matter. By this paper, the amendments to paragraph [0023] as filed on December 1, 2005 have been deleted. Furthermore, claims 20-23 have been cancelled. Therefore, the objection is moot and should be withdrawn.

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V203-0314**Claim Rejections**

The Examiner rejected claim 20 under 35 U.S.C. § 112 as being indefinite and under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Sehoh et al. (US 4,539,444). Furthermore, the Examiner rejected claims 21-23 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Sehoh* (US 4,539,444) in view of *Rose* (US 4,551,587).

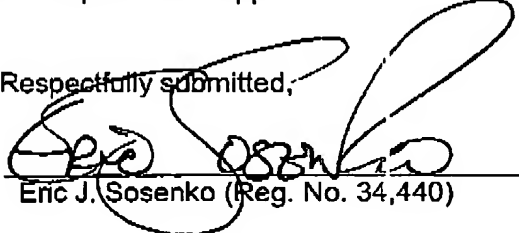
By this paper, claims 20-23 have been cancelled. Therefore, the rejections are moot and should be withdrawn.

Conclusion

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the present form of the claims are patentably distinguishable over the art of record and that this application is now in condition for allowance. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney for the Applicants via telephone number (734) 302-6000, if such communication would expedite this application.

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